FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
FEBRUARY 16, 2025 AT 8:45 & 11:15 A.M.



THE REV. DR. L. HOLTON SIEGLING, JR. SENIOR PASTOR/HEAD OF STAFF

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THE VISION OF GOD

"Impromptu in F Major" **PRELUDE**

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

(May the beginning of the prelude serve as a call to silent meditation and prayer.)

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Cancer Companions

Holly Wise & Tom Hardy

†Passing of the peace

CHORAL INTROIT

"I Will Worship the Lord"

John Rutter

Katherine Clarkson, Soprano; Timmi Winston, Mezzo-Soprano (8:45)

Kirk Choir (11:15)

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

One: Let us love one another, for love is from God.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: Let us reach out to those in need, for they are our brothers and sisters in Christ.

All: God's love calls us to see Christ in each other.

One: Come, let us worship our God, who is love!

All: We worship and adore the loving God of all creation!

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Hymn No. 464

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

CALL TO CONFESSION (A pause for silent confession follows.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Loving God, we confess that our words and actions are often unloving, impatient, unkind, rude, irritable, and resentful. You, however, are love, O God, and your love never ends, so give us, we pray, words of truth to share, and the ability to speak those words in a manner worthy of your love. Give us also the right disposition of heart, that we may not only speak words of love but also act upon them in a way that brings glory to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

†GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

†CHILDREN'S HYMN

"T've Got Peace Like a River"

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul. I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean in my soul. I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean in my soul

† Those who are able, please stand.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE TIME WITH CHILDREN

THE TIME FOR TEENS

(Children through 5 years old may be dismissed to the Massie Building for Children's Church.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jeffery Yost (8:45)

Julianne Farnsworth (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Ruth 1:1-18

(pew Bible, page 210)

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

(pew Bible, page 934)

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"LOVE: MORE THAN WORDS"

The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

†THE APOSTLES' CREED (unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

†HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Though I May Speak"

Hymn No. 335

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Trudy Marosok

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(We celebrate that some choose to give electronically, by texting FIRSTSCOTS to 73256, or by scanning the QR code found on the bulletin insert.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"There Will I Be"

Craig Courtney

Katherine Clarkson, Soprano; Timmi Winston, Mezzo-Soprano (8:45)

"Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake"

Richard Farrant

Kirk Choir (11:15)

†Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymn No. 592

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†Prayer of Dedication

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Hymn No. 376

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
†BENEDICTION RESPONSE
†POSTLUDE

"And the Blessing of God"

The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

Finale on "Hyfrydol"

Henry Coleman

Martin Shaw

Large print hymnals and assisted listening devices are available upon request.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given in loving memory of John Semken, Jr. by Mayrelle Semken.

If you feel the Spirit of God moving you to affirm your faith in Jesus, please speak to a pastor following the service or contact them this week at the church.

OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP EXTENDS BEYOND THE WALLS OF THE SANCTUARY

in the form of video recording and live streaming. Your presence with us today signifies consent to the possibility that your image may be included as part of our media broadcast.

FIRST (SCOTS) HISTORY TOURS

Please join us for a guided tour and brief history of First (Scots) following the conclusion of worship. Please come and meet your docent at the harpsichord following the service for a 10-15 minute tour. Today's docents are Jon Carter (8:45) and Harold Davis (11:15).

Assisting with the Service Today

8:45 A.M. GREETER:

COFFEE GREETER:

11:15 A.M. GREETERS:

Julianne Farnsworth

Susan Leland

Tom Johnson, Bob George

11:15 A.M. USHERS:

8:45 A.M. USHERS: David Neff (Captain), Joe Thompson,

Mayrelle Semken, Tom Litton

Harold Davis (Captain), David Gaston,

Brad Morrison, Jane McNeill, Bobby Sumner, Davis Finnen

11:15 A.M. DEACONS:

8:45 A.M. DEACONS:Legare Gresham (Lead Deacon), Ansley Feussner

8:45 A.M. BEADLE:

Tim Bouch

8:45 A.M. LAY READER:

Jeffery Yost

Jason Wall (Lead Deacon), Lisle Henderson

11:15 A.M. BEADLE:

Wade Davis

11:15 A.M. LAY READER:

Julianne Farnsworth

MEDIA MINISTRY: Cathy Hill

ELDER ON CALL (February 17 - 23) - Jon Carter (843) 801-2070

DEACON ON CALL (February 17 - 23) - Lisle Henderson (678) 428-1624

PASTOR ON CALL: (February 17 - 23) - The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr. (865) 456-2235



The Reverend Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr., Senior Pastor The Reverend Dr. James T. Rogers, Associate Pastor The Revered Dr. Peter B. Sutton, Associate Pastor Pastor Mary Robinson, Commissioned Lay Pastor The Reverend Dr. Daniel W. Massie, Pastor Emeritus



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Alison Beskin, Kirk Choristers Director
Dakota Carte, Administrative Assistant
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Scarlett Crawford, Church Administrator
Jennifer Cromwell, Kindergarten Director
Chef Robyn Guisto, Food Services Director
Donna Lawson, Day Porter

Karen Kuhn, Administrative Assistant
Trudy Marosok, Interim Christian Education Director
Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant
Meredith Sharma, Cherub and Alleluia Choir Director
Martha Ann Siegling, Christian Education Assistant
Garry Stone, Facility Maintenance Coordinator
Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir Director
Dr. Anthony Williams, Director of Music and Organist

Welcome to First (Scots)

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If you feel called, please prayerfully consider online giving, accessible using this QR code!



Calendar of Events February 17 - 23

Monday, February 17

Fire Alarm Testing Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1 - 3 p.m. Bridge, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. Evangelism Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Congregational Care Meeting, 6 - 7 p.m. Diaconate Meeting, 7 - 8 p.m.

Tuesday, February 18

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study, 7 - 8 a.m. Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 19

Ladies Bible Study, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Taize Chapel Service, 5 - 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper, 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training, 6:15 - 8:30 p.m. Kirk Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Financial Peace University, 6:15 - 7:45 p.m.

Thursday, February 20

Lectio Divina, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Thursday Table Talk, 12 - 1 p.m.

Sunday, February 23

Communion Dan Adams Class, 10 - 11 a.m. The Mere Christian Class, 10 - 11 a.m. Young Adult/Parenting Class, 10 - 11 a.m. Wire Word Class, 10 - 11 a.m.

Looking to Serve?

First (Scots) is in need of volunteers for our Sunday morning livestream during the 11:15 a.m. service. Minimal technical knowledge is required, and the learning curve is very easy! If you'd like to help our congregation in this way, please contact Chris Bucknam at bucknamc@gmail.com.

Wednesday Night Supper

Come gather to enjoy the simple pleasure of a meal with friends. 5:30 p.m. in Molly Wier Hall. \$10 per adult, \$25 for families



Menu

Chicken Fajitas, Mexican Street Corn, Chips and Salsa, Black beans, Red rice, Southwest Caesar, Tres Leches Cake

Kid's Menu

Cheese Quesadillas, Fruit, Veggies, Dessert

Scan the QR Code to RSVP.

Thank you, Chef Robyn!

Last Wednesday's Valentine's Supper was a smash hit, with one pastor saying it was the best Wednesday Night Supper he'd ever had in his 18 years at First (Scots)! (Can you guess who?) We are so grateful to Chef Robyn Guisto for all the hard work she's put in to serving our congregation at Wednesday Night Supper and Tuesday Morning Men's Breakfast!





In addition to serving the congregation of First (Scots), Robyn is also owner of Tea to Greens Catering, specializing in private parties, catering, and meal drop-offs for large groups. If you are ever in need of a caterer, feel free to call (843) 345-3914 or email teatogreensllc@gmail.com.

Wednesday Night Supper Guest

Join us Wednesday, February 19 in welcoming Martha Derrick: Author, 9th generation South Carolinian, and member of First (Scots)! She will be discussing her book, "Meet you at the Top: A Journal of Love and Faith". In addition to her deep southern roots, Martha also has a wealth of experiences travelling around the world with her late husband Fletcher who served in the CIA for 30 years. Copies of her book will be available for sale following her talk.



Spring Line Dancing



Contact Pam Arnett (pampagearnett@gmail.com) if you have any questions!

Taizé

Come dance away your winter blues with one of our two weekly Line Dancing Classes! Check out the schedule!

Beginner's Line Dancing I will be held on the following Mondays: March 17, 24, 31; May 5, 12, 19 (5 -7 p.m.).

Beginner's Line Dancing II will be held on the following Thursdays: March 20, 27; May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (9:30 - 11:30 a.m.).

All classes will be held in Molly Wier Hall.

Taizé Chapel services are back! Are you interested in a different kind of worship? Consider joining us for a weekly candlelight Taizé service. Taizé services are held every Wednesday evening in Lilly Chapel beginning at 5 p.m. and lasting for 30 minutes. With roots in the Christian monastic tradition, Taizé offers worshippers a uniquely contemplative & meditative service consisting of song, prayer, scripture, & communion. Join us in discovering a different side to Christian worship.



Men's Breakfast and Bible Study

Join us at 7 a.m. each Tuesday for a delicious breakfast and insightful discussion on Scripture.

Co-Ed Table Talk Bible Study

Come gather each Thursday at noon and learn about the depth and beauty of the Word of the Lord.

Both of these Bible study groups are lead by The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr. We hope you can attend in person, but if you are unable to do so, Zoom links can be found in your weekly Kirk News publication. Don't receive Kirk News?

Contact Karen Kuhn in the church office by calling (843) 722-8882.

Presbyterian Women

Last Wednesday, the Presbyterian Women met for their Valentine's Luncheon with guest speaker, Lynne White Poole! There was a great turnout and a delicious lunch prepared by Chef Robyn. Everyone was gifted a copy of Mrs. Poole's book, "My Angel was the Cable Guy". Many thanks to all those who put so much hard work into making this gathering a hit!











Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry creates handmade shawls as a tangible expression of God's love.



These shawls offer comfort and peace to those in need or celebrating a life event. We welcome anyone interested in joining whether a novice or advanced knitter. Knitting supplies are provided or you can bring your own. This is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship while also helping others in the process!

The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry will be on February 17 from 1-3 p.m. For more information, contact Pat Dietz at (843) 810-8679.

2025 Vacation Bible School



Save the date! This year's Vacation Bible School is set for July 28 - August 1.

Stephen Ministers



A Stephen Minister provides one-to-one care for people facing life challenges. They are a child of God who walks beside a person who is hurting, has received 50 hours of training in providing personal care, and will "be there" for their care receiver for as long as is needed. Training sessions are held Wednesdays from 6:15 - 8:30 p.m. Contact our Stephen Ministry leaders to sign up.

Current Stephen Minister team leaders are: Tom Slabaugh (859) 221-5069, Anne Smith (843) 817-1337, & Matt Spath (843) 324-5990

1731 Legacy Society

If you are not a 1731 Legacy Fund Member, we hope you hear the call to become one. You can contact Bill Prewitt directly at (843) 620-0158 or wmcprewitt@gmail.com) or let Shelby at the church office know (843-722-8882). If are already a 1731 Member, we welcome you to consider a renewal of your commitment.



WHAT

HAPPENS

NEXT

Sunday Morning Parenting Class

You're invited to a new Sunday School class!
The class will view the multi-part DVD series,
"Getting to the Heart of Parenting" by Paul Tripp.



Contact Trudy Marosok at Gmarosok@first-scots.org to learn more.

Scots on the Go, February 20

If you don't think they build things like they used to, then you need to tour the American College of Building Arts in Charleston. Located at 649 Meeting Street, their students study the humanistic traditions of architecture, history



and English; practical skills like math, foreign languages, and science; and creative skills like drawing and drafting. Taken together, these disciplines develop the creative thinking and problem-solving skills that great artisans need.

You can find ACBA graduates working at Mount Vernon, Williamsburg, Notre Dame, Italy, and any place where they need people that can work on older architectural sites. Join us for a tour and discussion with its President, Lt. Gen. (ret.) Colby M. Broadwater III.

John Witty serves as host this month. There is no charge for the tour, but there is a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 15 attendees. We will have lunch at Taco Boy after the tour. Scan the code to register.



Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study

WHEN: Tuesday Evenings ~ 5:30-6:30 p.m. ~ February 18, 25 & March 4

WHERE: First (Scots) Presbyterian, Room 203
WHAT: What Happens Next by Max Lucado ~ Book
(optional) and Study guide (necessary)

For more information, contact

Ruthie Edwards at halfsouthern1@gmail.com or

Martha Jane Hudnall at mj.hudnall@comcast.net

March 5, Ash Wednesday

We hope you'll join us as we enter into the Lenten season with an Ash Wednesday service on March 5.

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A light supper will be available in Molly Wier Hall following the service.



Youth Sunday Celebration

Last Sunday thirty-three high school and middle school youth led the congregation in worship at 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Their Animals-themed worship service was a blessing to our congregation and has been celebrated by church members, parents, and leaders alike.









In addition, the youth helped raise over \$900 and 51 food items for One80 Place! Be sure to check out some photos from the service (thanks to Jack Crawford and Jennifer Wallace) and a video of worship (thanks to Dr. Siegling). Special thanks to all of the adult volunteers who assisted the youth in preparing for and leading Youth Sunday including: Chris & Matt Bucknam, Meredith Harley, Chase Jasso, Hank Martin, Clarissa & Greg McKenzie, Renee and Wilson Pickren, Carrie Simpson, Janet White, and John Witty.

Middle School Youth Lock-In

Current 6th-8th graders are invited to a lock-in at the Kirk House on Friday, February 21 at 8 p.m. until Saturday, February 22 at 9 a.m. Get ready for a night full of fun and games including gaga ball, nine square in the air, and sardines. Youth are invited to bring a sweet, salty, or healthy snack to share. Everyone should bring a sleeping bag and pillow; air mattresses are welcome (yes, there will be time for sleeping!). Friends are welcome, but everyone should have a completed 2024-2025 Youth Ministry Permission Form on file. G or



PG movies and church appropriate games are also welcome. Youth Advisor Matt Bucknam is serving as the primary leader of this event and will be supported by youth advisors and parent chaperones. Youth participants and chaperones, please reserve your spot using our Middle School Youth Lock-In SignUpGenius.

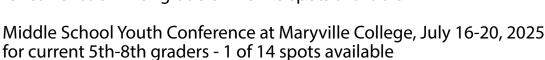
Did You Forget To Sign Up?

Space is still available (as of February 11) for the youth Summer trips. See links for trip details and to register.
Questions? Please contact James Rogers.

Montreat High School Youth Conference, June 7-14, 2025 for current 8th-12th graders - 3 of 14 spots available

Charlotte, NC Middle School Youth Mission Trip, June 22-28, 2025 for current 6th-8th graders - 4 of 18 spots available

Paradise, California High School Youth Mission Trip, July 13-20, 2025 for current 9th-12th graders - 2 of 18 spots available





All Signupgenius forms and youth information can be found by scanning this QR code.



Youth Workday Fundraiser

The Paradise, California and Charlotte, North Carolina Mission Teams have their annual workday fundraiser on Saturday, March 8 from 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Do you have some housework or yard work for them to do? Simply call or email Dakota Carte (843-722-8882, dcarte@first-scots.org) and let her know the type of work (please have all supplies and equipment ready), the number of people needed for the job, and the time frame desired. All donations for work done will go toward the cost of the mission trips.



Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL 8.7.8.7 D Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831 Charles Wesley, 1747 di - vine, ex - cel - ling, Joy 1. Love all loves of heaven, to 2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In ev - erv to de - liv - er, 3. Come, Al - might - v to Let us all Thy 4. Fin ish. then, Thy new cre - a - tion; Pure and spot - less earth come down, Fix in us Thy hum - ble dwell - ing, trou - bled breast! Let us all in Thee in her Sud re re - ceive; den lv turn. and er. nev tion let be: Let us see Thy great sal us va All Thy faith-ful mer - cies crown! Je Thou art all sus. com us find the prom-ised rest; Take a - way the love of Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - wavs Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee; Changed from glo - rv in - to pas - sion, Pure, un - bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as bless-ing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts a - bove; Pray, and praise Thee heaven we glo - ry, Till in take our place, Till we cast



Alternate tune: BEECHER, 343

Tú Has Venido a la Orilla Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore 377

Cesáreo Gabaráin, 1979 Trans. Gertrude Suppe, George Lockwood, Cesáreo Gabaráin and Raquel Achón, 1988; alt. Harm. Skinner Chávez-Melo ve - ni-do a la o - ri 1. Τú lla, Tú sa - bes bien lo que ten 2. go: 1. You have come up to the lake shore, You know that I own so lit tle, No has bus - ca do ni a sa - bios ni a ri cos, Tan mi bar En ca no hay o - ro ni es-pa das. wise nor for wealth -You Look - ing nei ther for V. In my boat there's no mon-ey nor weap ons, You'll

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